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FROM: THE HONORABLE DAVID HIOTT, CHAIRMAN

DATE: April 3, 2019

There will be a meeting of the Agriculture Committee <u>Wednesday, April 3, 2019, at 9:00 am</u> in Room 410 of the Blatt Building. The following matter is on the agenda:

H. 4318 -- Reps. Hixon, Forrest and Kirby: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-544, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO WILD TURKEY HUNTING AND TRANSPORTATION TAGS, SO AS TO DELETE THE TERM "WILD TURKEY TRANSPORTATION TAGS" AND REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "WILD TURKEY TAGS" AND TO PROVIDE THE TAGS WILL NO LONGER BE ISSUED AT NO COST; TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-580, RELATING TO THE SEASON FOR THE HUNTING AND TAKING OF MALE WILD TURKEY, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING WEEKEND, BAG LIMITS, AND AN ANNUAL REPORT, SO AS TO REVISE THE SEASON FOR HUNTING AND TAKING A MALE WILD TURKEY, TO REVISE THE BAG LIMITS, TO DELETE THE PROVISION ESTABLISHING YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING WEEKEND, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TAKING OF FEMALE WILD TURKEYS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-11-590 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR YOUTH TURKEY DAY; TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-920, RELATING TO REVENUES FROM THE SALE OF PRIVILEGES, LICENSES, PERMITS, AND TAGS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT REVENUE GENERATED FROM RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT WILD TURKEY TRANSPORTATION TAG SETS SHALL BE USED FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES; BY ADDING SECTION 50-9-640 SO AS TO PROVIDE FEES FOR WILD TURKEY TAGS; TO REPEAL SECTION 50-11-520 RELATING TO WILD TURKEY SEASON AND THE DECLARATION OF OPEN OR CLOSED SEASONS; TO REPEAL SECTION 7 OF ACT 41 OF 2015 RELATING TO THE HUNTING AND TAKING OF WILD TURKEY;

AND BY ADDING SECTION 50-11-546 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR AN ELECTRONIC HARVEST REPORTING SYSTEM, REQUIREMENTS FOR REPORTING THE HARVEST OF A WILD TURKEY, AND PENALTIES FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS PROVISION.

Action: Adopt Amendment #1

Final Action: Favorable as Amended